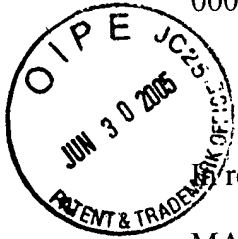


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Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2005 to July 25, 2005. A check in the amount of \$450.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.


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